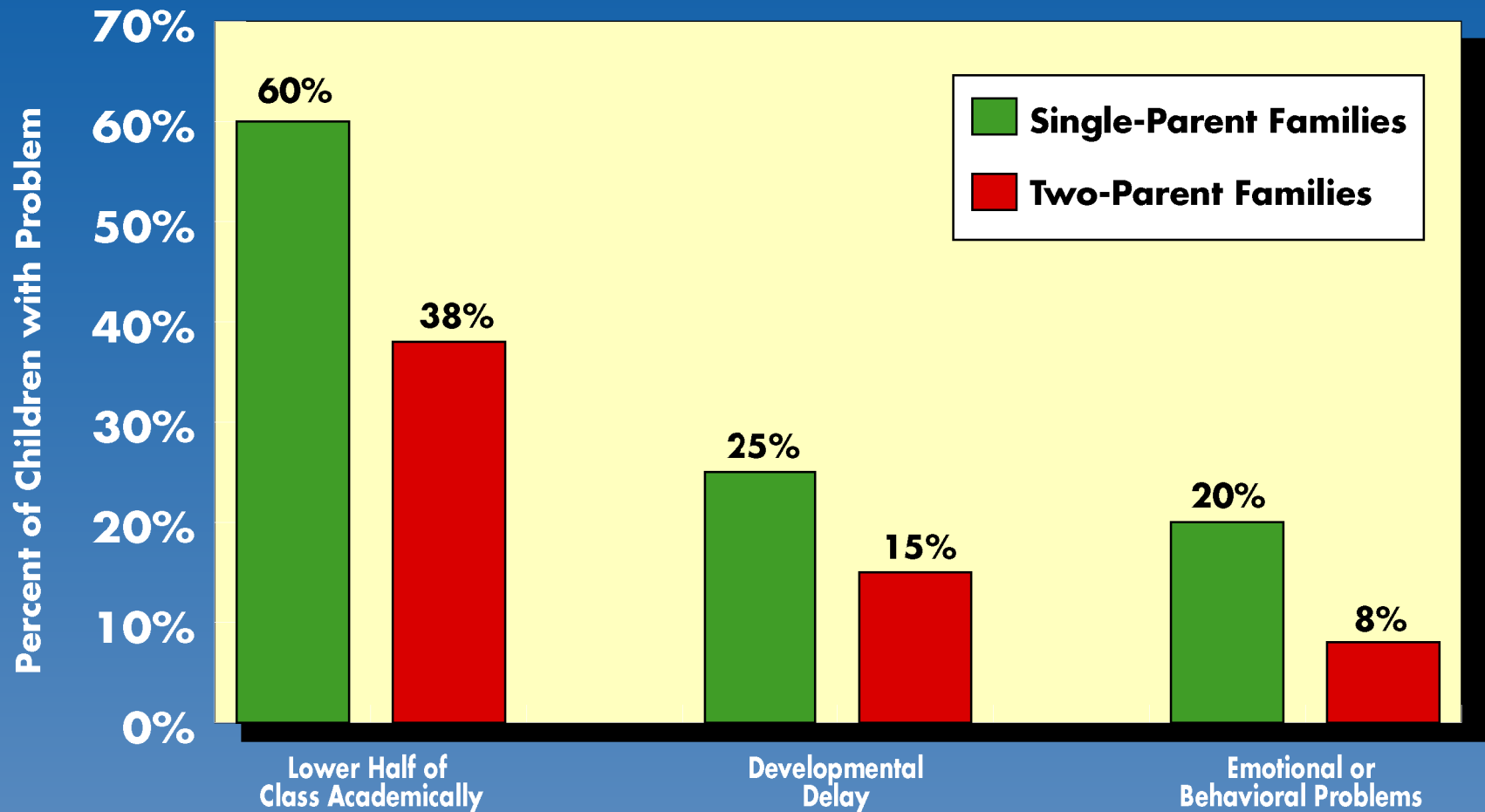


Developmental Problems Are Less Common In Two-Parent Families



Children of single-parent families have significantly more developmental and behavior problems than do children in two-parent families. Children in single-parent families are almost twice as likely to be in the lower half their class at school, compared with those in two-parent families. Children in two-parent families experience almost half the developmental delay that children in single-parent families face. Children in single-parent families have more than twice the emotional and behavioral problems compared with children in two-parent families.

Source: Heritage analysis based on Nicholas Zill, National Health Interview Survey, Child Health Supplement, 1981. This supplement is no longer produced.